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Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Jan. 31, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

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Beg leave to differ with the majority of said committee, and to recommend that the said bill do pass.

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Petitions.

Corsicana, Texas, Jan. 29, 1921.

Whereas, the Legislature of Texas is now in Regular Session at Austin; and

Whereas, many tax measures have already been introduced, and others are in course of preparation for introduction; and

Whereas, many citizens of this county are finding their present taxes burdensome, and are having difficulty in getting money to pay same; and

Whereas, the citizens of this county believe that by abolishing useless offices, and consolidating others, and by practicing a careful and sensible economy, the State can easily be run upon its present income derived from taxes paid by the people; and

Whereas, for the reasons herein set

forth, the citizens of this county are strongly opposed to the passage of any further tax laws of any kind by this Legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the citizens of Navarro County, in mass meeting assembled, do earnestly appeal to the Legislature to practice a rigid economy in the administration of the State's affairs; and they do earnestly protest to the State Legislature, and to their representatives therein, against the passage of any further tax laws of any kind by this Legislature. Hon. J. H. Woods, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir: This is a copy of the resolutions passed by a large number of citizens and taxpayers, assembled in mass meeting on the above.

Yours truly,

C. H. DeLOFOSSE.

Bay City, Texas.

Senator W. L. Hall.

We respectfully solicit your assistance in defeating the profiteering and cost mark bill, known as House Bill No. 140, as we deem same to be an injustice and should be defeated. We do not think that the aim of the bill would be accomplished and would be naturally a detriment to all concerned.

D. P. Moon Dry Goods Co. (by J. P. Reynolds, president), the Dry Goods Exchange (by K. Stern Mayer), Simon Bros., W. H. Bouldin, Ed. F. Spohn, E. M. Meyer, Sam Baer, Cox Vanity Store, P. G. Huston (druggist), W. F. Tetts, Vesper Bros., Economy Grocery (by C. W. Delkey), Sisk Grocery and Hardware Co., Matagorda Pharmacy, Taylor Hill Furniture Co., P. V. Secrist (jeweler), C. R. Jones, T. J. Clark, Stinnett Bros., A. T. Oulling, I. Ditch, A. T. Ditch, R. F. Anderson & Sons, Le Tulle Mercantile Co., S. J. McPeak, Wm. Walker, Robt. Pooge, J. Bachman.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Monday, Feb. 2, 1921.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Lynch Davidson.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	McMillin.
Baugh.	McNealus.
Bledsoe.	Murphy.
Carlock.	Page.
Clark.	Rogers.
Cousins.	Richards.
Davidson.	Russell.
Dudley.	Suiter.
Fairchild.	Watts.
Floyd.	Williams.
Hall.	Witt.
Harp.	Wood.
Hertzberg.	Woods.

Absent.

Buchanan. Darwin.

Absent—Excused.

Dorough. Parr.
Lewis.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Clark:

S. B. No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 58 of the General Laws of Texas passed by the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, relating to health, safety and comfort of employes and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and providing funds for carrying out the provisions of this Act by amending the following sections thereof: Section 7. By inserting the words, 'State Health Officer,' wherever found in lieu of the 'Commissioner of Labor Statistics' and by inserting the words, 'State Board of Health,' wherever found, in lieu of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Section 8. By inserting the words, 'State Health Officer,' wherever found in lieu of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics. Section 10. Providing for the repeal of Section 10, Chapter 58, of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Harp:

S. B. No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Hammond Independent School District of Robertson County, Texas, as is included by the field notes as follows: Defining its boundaries, investing it with the rights, powers and duties and privil-

eges of a district incorporated for school purposes under the general law; providing for a Board of Trustees therefor; making provisions for taxation for school purposes in said district, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Baugh:

S. B. No. 161, A bill to be entitled "An Act putting into effect amended Section 4, of Article 11, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less, and amended Section 5, of Article 11, of the Constitution relating to cities having more than five thousand inhabitants and not having special charters; providing for the levy, assessment and collection of taxes by such cities; providing for the issuance of bonds by such cities, payable out of said taxes; validating certain bond elections, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

By Senator Page:

S. B. No. 162, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating the charters and amendments to charters of all cities of more than five thousand inhabitants in this State, which have adopted charters, or attempted to adopt or amend charters, since the enactment of Chapter 147, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, 1913, and validating all proceedings had by City Councils or City Commissions, or governing authority, in regard to the question of the adoption of charters or amendments thereto, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

By Senator Rogers:

S. B. No. 163, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 4606 of Title 67 of Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, declaring the eleventh day of November of each year a legal holiday and designating November 11th as 'Victory Day.'"

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Rogers:

S. B. No. 164, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chap-

ter 20, Page 137, passed at the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, known as the Act limiting the right of suffrage to citizens of the United States, so as to hereafter read as follows, limiting meaning of 'citizens' and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Senator Rogers:

S. B. No. 165, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide funds for the relief and assistance in education of the mothers, widows, orphans and children of veterans of the Great War, creating the office of Commissioner War Relief, fixing his salary and term of office; creating the Board of War Relief, designating its duties and powers for disbursement of these funds to those entitled to relief and assistance, designating those entitled to relief and assistance under this Act, designating conditions under which relief and assistance will be granted and making the War Relief Board sole judges of such facts, limiting amount of relief to be granted any applicant in one year; providing methods of payment, providing for office space and making appropriation of office expense, calling for annual report by Board of War Relief, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 166, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish a Texas Industrial School and Workshop for the Adult blind of the State; providing for a Board to locate such institution and to manage its affairs; providing an appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator McNealus:

S. B. No. 167, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 160 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, approved April 3rd, 1919, the same being an Act regulating the employment of women and minors and establishing a Board of Industrial Welfare to investigate and deal with such employment, including the fixing of a minimum wage, providing for an appropriation therefor, and fixing penalties for the violation thereof and declaring an emergency; by pro-

viding for the appointment of a Board of Industrial Welfare; defining their powers and duties; fixing their salaries, and fixing penalties for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Labor.

By Senator McNealus, by request:

S. B. No. 168, A bill to be entitled "An Act to suitably acknowledge the appreciation of the people of Texas for the honorable military services of the Reserve Militia of Texas, in the army, navy or marine corps during the Great War, and of the State Troops of Texas, both in the army on the Mexican border and in the Great War during the years 1916 to 1919, inclusive, and to show material evidence of this appreciation by the purchase and distribution of a military service medal of the State of Texas to these troops, together with certain badges, ribbands, commissions, rosters, etc."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

By Senator Murphy:

S. B. No. 169, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1586, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, so as to provide that the Court of Civil Appeals for the First Supreme Judicial District shall be held in the City of Houston, Harris County, Texas, and removing same from the City of Galveston, Galveston County, Texas; and providing for an appropriation to defray the expenses in removing librarian records of said court, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Parr:

S. B. No. 170, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the Hebbbronville Independent School District, Jim Hogg County, Texas, placing the said Independent School District under the general statutes governing school districts incorporated for school purposes, only, under the general laws of Texas; providing for a board of trustees therefor; providing for the assumption and refunding by the said Hebbbronville Independent School District as herein defined, of the bonded and other indebtedness of Common School District No. 1 of Jim Hogg County, Texas; providing for the payment by the Hebbbronville Independent School District of the pro rata share

of the bonded indebtedness of the Benavides Independent School District and validating said obligation; providing for commissioners to fix said pro rata share of said bond indebtedness; and expenses of said commissioners repealing all laws in so far as they might conflict herewith, and creating an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Witt:

S. B. No. 171, A bill to be entitled "An Act revising the State course of study providing that Texas history shall be taught in elementary and high schools, providing for instruction in thrift and in citizenship in all grades, requiring minimum courses in home economics and home nursing, specifying instruction in music and that the State Superintendent of Public Instruction may authorize public high schools to give credit for standard courses in music, taken out of school hours, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Witt:

S. B. No. 172, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 2767, 2768, 2451, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and Article 2771, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 160, Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and Section 71, Chapter 124, Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, relating to powers of school trustees in choosing a depository, to bonds of depository, and as to powers of school trustees in relation to a teacher's contract; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Witt:

S. B. No. 173, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending the compulsory attendance law so as to increase requirements gradually, to cause the English language to become gradually the medium of instruction in private, sectarian and parochial schools, gradually raising standards of instruction in all teaching accepted in lieu of public school training, providing methods of carrying out the purpose of the Act, and defining the scholastic age in compulsory attendance more specifically, and amending provisions in regard to

the scholastic census, amending Sections 1, 2, 3, 6 and 8 of Chapter 49, Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, and adding to Section 2, Section 2a, 2b and 2c, and amending Sections 2774, 2776 and 2778, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Russell:

S. B. No. 174, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3883 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-sixth Legislature, at its Third Called Session, regulating the fees allowed county officers in certain counties of this State, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, Feb. 1, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. J. R. No. 11, Proposing an amendment to Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas to provide that the Legislature may grant pensions to Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows, who have been citizens of Texas prior to January 1, 1910, providing that all soldiers, sailors and their widows eligible under the provisions hereof shall be entitled to be placed upon the rolls and participate in the pension fund created hereunder; levying a tax of seven (7c) cents on the \$100 valuation of property in this State for the payment of such pension, providing that the Legislature may reduce the rate of pension for such purpose; fixing a time for the election to be held on such amendment, and making an appropriation to pay the expenses thereof.

H. B. No. 12, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 8, Title 71, of the Revised Civil Statutes, providing for the incorporation, organization, regulation and supervision of mutual life insurance companies in this State, and providing penalties for the violation of this Act."

H. B. No. 118, A bill to be entitled "An Act to put into effect the amendment to Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in accordance with the will of the people as expressed by vote in the general election held on November 2, 1920."

H. B. No. 62, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the commissioners' courts of Texas to fix the compensation of the tax assessors of their respective counties for assessing and making the tax rolls of that part of any improvement district lying within the city limits of cities having a population of more than 75,000 inhabitants, at a sum not to exceed the amount allowed by general law for like services in assessing State and county taxes, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 34, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 6923 of Title 119 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, providing that any person summoned to work on the public roads of this State shall be exempted from the performance of such work upon payment to the road overseer of his district of \$2 for each and every day he is summoned to work, and exempting such person from all penalties for failure to work on such roads for the time for which he has so paid, and declaring an emergency."

The House has adopted

H. C. R. No. 15. Granting Judge J. H. McLean leave of absence from the State.

Respectfully submitted,
N. K. BROWN,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives

Bills Read and Referred.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Davidson, had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. J. R. No. 11, Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional amendments.

H. B. No. 12, read first time and referred to Committee on Insurance and Banking.

H. B. No. 118, read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 62, read first time and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

H. B. No. 34, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House Concurrent Resolution, No. 11.

The Chair laid before the Senate, House Concurrent Resolution No. 11, granting Judge J. H. McLean, Judge of the 33rd Judicial District, a leave of absence from the State this summer.

The resolution was referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

House Bill No. 22.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 696, Chapter 1, Title 12, of the Revised Criminal Statutes of Texas, as amended by the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature."

Senator Bailey offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted.

Amend the bill by striking out in the bill and the caption thereof, wherever it occurs, the word "lease," and insert in lieu thereof the word "deposit."

Action recurred on the passage of the bill to a third reading, and the Senate refused to pass the bill to a third reading.

House Bill No. 20.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 20, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 586 and 587, Chapter 6, Title 11, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, so as to provide a penalty for betting on all public elections, and defining public elections and declaring an emergency."

Senator Dudley offered the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 20, by placing a period after the word "dollars," in line 31, and omitting remainder of Section 1.

Pending discussion, Senator Darwin moved that the amendment and bill be recommitted.

Senator Suiter moved to table the motion to recommit the bill.

The motion to table was lost.

The motion to recommit the bill to Committee on Privileges and Elections was adopted.

House Bill No. 22—Recommitted.

Senator Murphy here moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to pass to a third reading House Bill No. 22, and that the bill be recommitted to Committee that the bill was first referred to.

The motion was adopted and the bill so recommitted.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 6.

The Chair laid before the Senate H. C. R. No. 6, Relating to betterment of cotton marketing.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10.

Senator Williams, by unanimous consent, called up from the table, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10, A resolution relating to treatment of State penitentiary convicts, and providing a committee to make investigation. (See Journal of fourteenth day, for resolution in full.)

The resolution was read in full.

Senator Witt offered the following amendment to the resolution.

Amend S. C. R. No. 10, by adding the following:

"That said committee be and it is hereby authorized to visit said other modern penitentiary systems in other States as it may desire in order to make proper and intelligent recommendations."

Pending discussion, Senator Page made the following motion:

I move that S. C. R. No. 10, with pending amendments, be referred to the Committee on Penitentiaries with instructions to such committee to seek an interview with the Governor of Texas; that the entire matter be fully discussed with the Governor and that he be requested to advise the Legislature, by special message, of his views on the pending resolution.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11 —Signed.

The Chair gave notice of signing, and did sign in the presence of the Senate, after its caption had been read the following resolution:

S. C. R. No 11.

Simple Resolution No 35.

Whereas, The Hon. J. M. Terrell, of Dallas, a former member of this body, is in the city; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be extended the privileges of the Chamber and be requested to address the Senate.

McNEALUS.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senators McNealus, Woods and Russell were appointed as a committee to escort former Senator Terrell to the president's stand.

Executive Message.

(Received at 11 o'clock a. m. Feb. 2)

Governor's Office,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

To the Texas State Senate:

Gentlemen: On the recommendation of all the Representatives and the Senator from Harris County, I ask the advice, consent and confirmation of the following appointments:

David Rice, Public Weigher, City of Houston, Harris County.

Charles Reynaud, Public Weigher, City of Houston, Harris County.

John Woolford, Public Weigher, City of Houston, Harris County.

Albert Coles, Public Weigher, City of Houston, Harris County.

C. G. Timmins, Public Weigher, City of Houston, Harris County.

R. C. Blalock, Public Weigher, City of Houston, Harris County.

Tom Mulvihill, Public Weigher, City of Houston, Harris County.

W. R. A. Tharp, Public Weigher, City of Magnolia, Harris County.

C. M. Jones, Public Weigher, City of Magnolia, Harris County.

H. A. Carstens, Public Weigher, City of Magnolia, Harris County.

J. H. Lewis, Public Weigher, City of Magnolia, Harris County.

R. A. Milam, Public Weigher, City
of Magnolia, Harris County.

Yours sincerely,
PAT M. NEFF,
Governor.

The above message was read and
referred to Committee on nomina-
tions by the Governor.

Recess.

On motion of Senator Clark, the
Senate here recessed until 3 o'clock
today.

Afternoon Session.

The Senate was called to order by
Lieutenant Governor Davidson.

Addition to Standing Committee.

Senator Bailey made the follow-
ing motion:

I move that Senator T. W. David-
son, Senator from Harrison County,
Texas, be added to the Senate Com-
mittee on Civil Jurisprudence, by the
President of the Senate.

The motion was adopted.

Senate Bill No. 53.

Senator Bailey moved that S. B.
No. 53 be withdrawn from Com-
mittee on Civil Jurisprudence and be
referred to Committee on Labor.

The motion was adopted.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10.

Action here recurred on the con-
sideration of the pending business,
Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10,
the question being on the pending
motion by Senator Page to refer the
resolution and amendment to the
Committee on Penitentiary Affairs,
etc. (See morning proceedings for
the motion in full.)

Senator Hertzberg moved to table
the motion by Senator Page, which
motion to table was adopted by the
following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bailey.
Baugh.

Bledsoe.
Carlock.

Cousins.
Davidson.
Dudley.
Floyd.
Hall.
Harp.
Hertzberg.
McMillin.
Murphy.

Parr.
Richards.
Rogers.
Russell.
Suiter.
Watts.
Williams.
Wood.
Woods.

Nays—6.

Clark.
Darwin.
Fairchild.

McNealus.
Page.
Witt.

Buchanan.

Absent—Excused.

Dorough.

Lewis.

Action then recurred on the pend-
ing amendment by Senator Witt, and
On motion of Senator Hertzberg,
the amendment was tabled.

Senator Bailey offered the follow-
ing amendment:

Amend S. C. R. No. 10, by striking
out the word "nine" and inserting
in lieu thereof the word "five," and
by striking out the word "four" and
inserting in lieu thereof the word
"two," and by striking out the word
"five" and inserting in lieu thereof
the word "three," and make the reso-
lution conform to this amendment.

BAILEY.
DUDLEY.

The amendment was read and
lost.

Senator Clark moved to reconsider
the vote by which the above amend-
ment was lost, but the motion to re-
consider was lost.

The resolution was then adopted
by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Bailey.
Baugh.
Bledsoe.
Carlock.
Cousins.
Davidson.
Dudley.
Fairchild.
Floyd.
Hall.
Harp.
Hertzberg.
McMillin.

McNealus.
Murphy.
Page.
Parr.
Richards.
Rogers.
Russell.
Suiter.
Watts.
Williams.
Wood.
Woods.

Nays—3.

Clark.
Darwin.

Witt.

Absent—Excused.

Buchanan.
Dorough.

Lewis.

Simple Resolution No. 36.

By Senator Rogers:

Whereas, The Senate has heretofore purchased 10 copies of Vernon's 1920 Complete Texas Statutes; and

Whereas, That number is insufficient to meet the needs of the members; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be, and he is hereby directed to purchase 21 additional copies of said statutes to be issued to Senators in accordance with the terms of the former resolution, and pay for the same out of the contingent expense fund of the Senate.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senate Bill No. 23.

(Pending business.)

Action here recurred on S. B. No. 23, the Blue Sky Bill, and which was pending business from yesterday.

There being a pending amendment, and,

Senator Carlock offered the following substitute for the pending amendment:

Amend the pending amendment to S. B. No. 23, by striking out the following:

Strike out Section 23 of the bill, and substitute the following:

Section 27. All funds accruing from the operation of this Act, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated for the fiscal period ending September 1st, 1922, for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act.

Supplementary to the above, there is also hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of enforcing and carrying into effect the provisions of this law, the sum of twenty thousand (\$20,000.00) dollars, or so much thereof as may be needed; the same

to be available for the support and maintenance of the Commission for the period ending September 1st, 1922; provided, however, that if the funds arising from the administration of this law shall be sufficient to defray the expenses of said Commission for the period designated, then the above appropriation shall not be used, the intention of the Legislature being to rely primarily upon the funds arising from the operation of this law for defraying the expenses of the Commission.

The Commission out of the appropriation here made shall have authority to purchase all necessary office supplies and other equipment necessary for the organization and operation of said work as contemplated by this Act, and to otherwise carry out the purposes of this Act.

Said appropriation shall be available for the use of said Commission as needed upon warrants drawn by the Chairman and Secretary of the Commission and approved by the Comptroller.

The substitute for the amendment was adopted, and

The amendment, as substituted, was adopted.

Senator Woods offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Strike out the last sentence of Section 14, page 15, beginning with the word "It," line 16, page 15, and ending with the word "Act," line 20 page 15.

Senator McMillin offered the following amendment which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill, page 5, lines 29, 30 and 31 by striking out subsection "f" and subsections following be re-lettered to correspond.

(Senator Bailey in the Chair.)

Pending discussion, Senator Murphy moved that the bill be further considered, section by section.

Senator Suiter offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted.

Amend S. B. No. 23, line 1, page 6, by striking out the words, "entire mortgage," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The lien to secure said note."

Action recurred on the motion by Senator Murphy, and

Senator Carlock moved to table the motion.

The motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Baugh.	Page.
Carlock.	Rogers.
Cousins.	Suiter.
Darwin.	Williams.
Dudley.	Witt.
Floyd.	Wood.

Nays—13.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Clark.	Parr.
Fairchild.	Richards.
Hall.	Russell.
Harp.	Watts.
Hertzberg.	Woods.
McMillin.	

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Davidson.
Buchanan.	McNealus.

Absent—Excused.

Dorough.	Lewis.
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The motion to consider the bill by sections was then adopted.

Senator Page moved to postpone the further consideration until Saturday morning.

Senator Carlock moved, as a substitute, that the bill be laid on the table subject to call, which motion was adopted.

Senate Bill No. 59.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 59, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that all judgments for pecuniary fines in misdemeanor cases shall be suspended for a period of thirty days after the date of said judgment after which date only capias profine may issue thereon if not satisfied, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and action recurred on the committee report, with committee amendments.

The committee report was adopted.

Senators Fairchild and Darwin offered the following amendment:

Amend S. B. No. 59, by striking out the word "thirty," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixty," wherever it appears in the bill.

Senator Witt moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was adopted.

Pending discussion, Senator Darwin moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment by Senator Fairchild was tabled.

The vote to reconsider was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Bailey.	Murphy.
Clark.	Parr.
Darwin.	Richards.
Fairchild.	Rogers.
Hall.	Russell.
McNealus.	Watts.

Nays—13.

Baugh.	McMillin.
Bledsoe.	Suiter.
Carlock.	Williams.
Cousins.	Witt.
Dudley.	Wood.
Harp.	Woods.
Hertzberg.	

Absent.

Davidson.	Page.
Floyd.	

Absent—Excused.

Buchanan.	Lewis.
Dorough.	

The bill, having been read second time, was ordered engrossed.

Senate Bill No. 133.

Senator Parr asked unanimous consent to take up and consider S. B. No. 133.

There was no objection.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 133, a bill creating the Benavides Independent School District.

The committee report was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Parr, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and Senate Bill No. 133 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—28.

Bailey.	Bledsoe.
Baugh.	Carlock.

Clark.	Murphy.
Cousins.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Davidson.	Richards.
Dudley.	Rogers.
Fairchild.	Russell.
Floyd.	Suiter.
Hall.	Watts.
Harp.	Williams.
Hertzberg.	Witt.
McMillin.	Wood.
McNealus.	Woods.

Absent.

Buchanan.

Absent—Excused.

Dorough. Lewis.

The bill was read third time and passed, by the following vote:

Yeas—28.

Bailey.	McMillin.
Baugh.	McNealus.
Bledsoe.	Murphy.
Carlock.	Page.
Clark.	Parr.
Cousins.	Richards.
Darwin.	Rogers.
Davidson.	Russell.
Dudley.	Suiter.
Fairchild.	Watts.
Floyd.	Williams.
Hall.	Witt.
Harp.	Wood.
Hertzberg.	Woods.

Absent.

Buchanan.

Absent—Excused.

Dorough. Lewis.

Resolution Signed.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Davidson, gave notice of signing, and did sign, after its caption had been read, the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 6, Relating to cotton marketing.

Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Carlock, the Senate, at 5:45 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

APPENDIX.

Petitions.

Senator McNealus offered and had read a telegram from Dallas Council of Mothers and State Congress of Mothers, urging passage of Davis-Horton Domestic Relations Court bill.

Senator Fairchild offered and had read a petition from citizens of Cherokee County, asking that the penitentiary lands in that county be sold; that penitentiary farms and State railroads be disposed of as rendering no service to Cherokee County.

Reports of Heads of Departments.

General Land Office.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 1, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Dear Sir: Replying to Resolution No. 18, adopted June 14, 1920, calling upon departments for certain information, beg to submit below the traveling expense incurred by me as Commissioner of the General Land Office from September 1, 1915, to December 31, 1920.

November, 1915	\$ 27.00
January, 1916	81.67
March, 1916	37.95
May, 1916	101.32
July, 1916	130.25
September, 1916	20.25
October, 1916	36.75
November, 1916	14.10
December, 1916	18.00
December, 1916	29.70
March, 1917	85.65
March, 1917	53.05
May, 1917	25.40
June, 1917	18.65
July, 1917	61.90
July, 1917	14.40
August, 1917	66.30
December, 1917	49.49
January, 1918	38.74
February, 1918	22.25
April, 1918	66.29
May, 1918	19.42
May, 1918	60.05
June, 1918	17.45
July, 1918	50.83
August, 1918	51.82
August, 1918	17.39
November, 1918	54.50
December, 1918	40.98
December, 1918	28.68
February, 1919	50.30
June, 1919	61.30
July, 1919	44.29

August, 1919	84.34
September, 1919	21.26
September, 1919	35.73
October, 1919	22.12
December, 1919	68.94
February, 1920	8.56
April, 1920	93.04
May, 1920	48.90
July, 1920	50.23
August, 1920	48.83
August, 1920	24.99
August, 1920	83.96
September, 1920	33.88
November, 1920	57.72
November, 1920	91.22
December, 1920	227.97
December, 1920	57.34

Traveling outside of the State consists of \$3.16 in the item of February, 1920. At that time I was called to Oklahoma by the federal government as a witness in the federal court prosecuting some swindlers of Texas lands. I wanted to make some investigations on Red River, north of Wichita Falls, so returned by another route and the difference in railroad mileage was \$3.16, so I charged that up as out of the State.

The next item out of the State was December, 1920, \$227.97, which was incurred at the request of Attorney General Cureton that I accompany him to Washington to be present in the submission of the Oklahoma-Texas boundary case, lest he might have use for me while there.

The item of August, 1917, was incurred by J. E. Phillips, an employe of this office, upon an investigation under my orders in Pecos County.

The item of May, 1918, of \$19.42, was incurred by Lee Hawkins, an employe of this department, under my direction, making an investigation of land matters in Denton County.

The item of February, 1919, of \$50.30 was by Herbert Hedick, an employe of this office, under my direction, making an investigation of land matters in Eastland County.

The item of September, 1919, \$21.26, was by S. C. Clark, an employe of this office, in connection with and at the request of the Attorney General's Department, in making investigations of land matters in Liberty County.

In the item of July, 1918, I went from Houston to investigate matters in Caddo Lake, in order to save expense of coming back, and the distance from the Texas State line to Shreveport was of course for a few hours out of the State, for which no separate item has

been made, and to that extent it was traveling out of the State, which is not included in the statement above.

Yours truly,

J. T. ROBISON,
Commissioner.

General Land Office, -

Austin, Texas, Feb. 1, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Dear Sir: Complying with the request contained in Senate Resolution 18, adopted June 14, 1920, I beg to report the pay roll for this department and the number of employes for each month, beginning September 1, 1915, and ending December 31, 1920, to have been as follows:

September, 1915	\$4,948.91	45
October, 1915	5,074.90	45
November, 1915	5,054.90	45
December, 1915	5,074.90	45
January, 1916	5,068.45	45
February, 1916	5,074.90	45
March, 1916	5,074.90	45
April, 1916	5,074.90	45
May, 1916	5,004.48	45
June, 1916	4,951.99	44
July, 1916	4,833.24	43
August, 1916	4,905.39	44
September, 1916	4,958.24	44
October, 1916	4,958.24	44
November, 1916	4,958.24	44
December, 1916	5,048.56	44
January, 1917	5,074.90	45
February, 1917	5,074.90	45
March, 1917	5,074.90	45
April, 1917	5,074.90	45
May, 1917	5,074.90	45
June, 1917	5,071.56	45
July, 1917	5,074.90	45
August, 1917	4,883.97	43
September, 1917	5,453.89	44
October, 1917	5,398.13	44
November, 1917	5,481.66	44
December, 1917	5,556.72	44
January, 1918	5,429.84	44
February, 1918	5,475.00	44
March, 1918	5,475.00	44
April, 1918	5,426.11	44
May, 1918	5,438.72	44
June, 1918	5,577.78	45
July, 1918	5,526.34	45
August, 1918	5,460.06	44
September, 1918	5,833.53	46
October, 1918	5,634.87	45
November, 1918	5,755.19	46
December, 1918	6,074.91	49
January, 1919	6,049.91	49
February, 1919	6,096.34	49
March, 1919	6,099.91	49
April, 1919	6,083.25	49
May, 1919	6,017.65	48

June, 1919	6,089.08	49
July, 1919	6,819.28	55
August, 1919	6,829.83	55
September, 1919	7,282.99	55
October, 1919	7,254.09	55
November, 1919	6,894.65	50
December, 1919	7,274.39	52
January, 1920	7,304.09	52
February, 1920	7,203.51	51
March, 1920	6,992.80	49
April, 1920	7,086.31	50
May, 1920	7,062.39	50
June, 1920	7,122.05	51
July, 1920	7,250.87	51
August, 1920	6,974.47	50
September, 1920	6,642.72	45
October, 1920	6,270.38	44
November, 1920	6,614.94	45
December, 1920	6,670.22	45

Yours truly,

J. T. ROBISON,
Commissioner.

Railroad Commission of Texas.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 1, 1921.

Senator James H. Woods.

My Dear Senator: Complying with Senate Resolution No. 31, I take pleasure in herewith transmitting to you the information requested in said resolution.

If there is any further information which you desire of the Railroad Commission, kindly suggest to us what it is and we will take pleasure in furnishing you with the same.

With highest personal regards, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,
EARLE B. MAYFIELD,
Commissioner.

Senate Simple Resolution No. 31. By Woods. Report of Railroad Commission of Texas on H. B. No. 11, Chapter 14, General Laws of Texas, passed by Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature.

Employees.

There has been but one appointment by the Commission under this Act, that appointment being an engineer to work out preliminaries of organization and plan for the administration of the law. Such assistance as he has so far needed has been supplied from existing employees. Other employees will be engaged, with consent and approval of the Board of Control, as they are needed. For the present it is contemplated that clerk and stenographer will suffice for the needs. The name of the

engineer appointed is R. D. Parker, and his salary is fixed at \$333.33 per month.

Employees will be allowed traveling expenses while away from their designated headquarters when on State business.

Receipts.

This Act did not become effective until September 16th, 1920, and no taxes are due under its terms until the expiration of the last quarter of 1920, i. e., December 31st, 1920. There were, therefore, no receipts from taxes during the year 1920.

The Legislature, under this Act, provided for appropriation of \$20,000 from the general revenue for the support of this department until funds from taxes became available. This amount has been set aside and is known as the gas utilities fund. The amounts collected as taxes are credited to this fund as they are received. Up to January 31st, 1921, the following statement covers receipts credited to this fund:

Set aside from general revenue	\$20,000.00
Central Texas Natural Gas Co.	31.17
Kleberg County Oil & Gas Co.	28.07
Santa Anna Gas Co.	28.08
Cross Plains Gas Co.	4.65
Consumers' Fuel & Gas Co.	55.68
Border Gas Co.	146.71
North Texas Gas Co.	274.35
J. A. Robertson.	18.72
Mexia Oil & Gas Co.	14.91
Gainesville Gas & Electric Co.	35.96
Coleman Gas & Oil Co.	24.45
Total	\$20,662.75

The above list does not include all natural gas utilities in the State subject to tax. We have on our mailing list 51 and have 12 others under investigation. More will be added as we can locate them and serve notices and orders on them. Many do not close their books within 30 days after the first of the month; hence we have had to grant extension of time in which returns must be made so that data might be compiled as basis of report of gross income. No forecast can be made of amount which will accrue to this fund from taxes until we get returns on orders issued requiring report of amount of production and distribution and the tariffs and rates for service and gas sales. These reports

are being currently received; but the returns are not complete.

Disbursements.

Up to date, January 31st, 1921, the following amounts have been disbursed from the gas utilities fund:

Salary of engineer.....	\$1,333.32
Fees of witnesses.....	128.24
Printing.....	73.62
Postage.....	100.00

Total \$1,635.18

The amount disbursed account witness fees is understood by the terms of the Act to be returnable to the State by party losing case now pending on appeal to this Commission and will be assessed against such party upon decision of the case.

Name.	Class.	Salary.
S. P. Sadler, Chief Supervisor.....		\$ 416.66
T. L. Coplin, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
W. B. Wortham, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
D. E. Woods, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
L. G. Graves, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
Mike McNamara, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
R. L. Hoover, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
John Hoffer, Deputy Supervisor.....		250.00
D. C. Morris, Deputy Supervisor.....		250.00
Lee Ellzey, Deputy Supervisor.....		250.00
F. S. Knisley, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
W. F. Arnold, Deputy Supervisor.....		300.00
H. F. Fitzpatrick, Deputy Supervisor.....		250.00
H. S. Hamilton, Deputy Supervisor.....		250.00
Laten Stanberry, Chief Clerk.....		250.00
Ethel Roberdeau, Stenographer.....		125.00
Loretta Hawkins, Stenographer.....		125.00
Rose Modrall, Stenographer.....		125.00
Annie Maxwell, File Clerk.....		112.50
Bertha Lacy, Stenographer.....		100.00
Richard Ward, Mailing Clerk.....		40.00
Thomas Bennett, Porter.....		75.00
Total		\$5,019.16

Deputy Supervisor Lee Ellzey resigned January 3, 1921.

All necessary traveling expenses are allowed to employees of this department when away from their designated headquarters, and deputy supervisors are furnished automobiles for their field work and are allowed actual expenses for gasoline, oil and upkeep.

Receipts.

No money is received directly by the Commission, but through the Comp-

Recapitulation.

Total receipts	\$20,662.75
Total disbursements	1,635.18

Balance \$19,027.57

Respectfully submitted.

R. L. PARKER,
Gas Utility Engineer.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 31, 1921.

To Hon. S. P. Sadler, Supervisor Oil and Gas Department, Railroad Commission of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Below is a list of the employees in the Oil and Gas Department of the Railroad Commission of Texas, as of December 31, 1920, under Chapter 30 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, 1917, and Chapter 155 of the Acts of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, 1919:

troller's office, the following amounts were deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the regulating pipe line fund:

Balance on hand January 1,	
1920	\$21,136.56
January, 1920	9,213.12
February, 1920	11,104.22
March, 1920	1,734.67
April, 1920	1,464.35
May, 1920	20,284.54
June, 1920	5,747.63
July, 1920	16,133.71

August, 1920	11,960.94
September, 1920.....	2,437.22
October, 1920	9,713.31
November, 1920	24,064.35
December, 1920	2,421.91
By errata	2.58

Total \$137,419.11

Disbursements.

The following amounts were disbursed by the Oil and Gas Department of the Railroad Commission for the year 1920:

January	\$ 2,957.24
February	4,014.14
March	4,126.96
April	7,144.91
May	5,509.22
June	5,349.52
July	4,543.37
August	6,486.79
September	6,925.47
October	5,104.15
November	5,101.47
December	6,073.81

Total disbursements . . . \$ 63,337.05
Transferred to the general fund 38,073.45

Balance December 31, 1920. 36,008.61

Total \$137,419.11

Committee Reports.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Mining, Irrigation and Drainage, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the extension of time in which to develop oil and gas under permits heretofore issued under the Mineral Act of 1917 upon islands, salt water, lakes, bays, inlets, marshes and reefs, owned by the State of Texas within tide water limits and that portion of the Gulf of Mexico within the jurisdiction of Texas,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BLEDSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs to whom was referred

S. B. No. 79, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the examination and certification of professional engineers and architects; and to regulate the practice of engineering and architecture,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute bill, herewith presented, do pass in lieu thereof, and that only the committee substitute be printed.

CARLOCK, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs to whom was referred

S. B. No. 89, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 46 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, so as to provide that all corporations that are required by law to pay an annual franchise tax shall make a report to the Secretary of State between the first day of January and the fifteenth day of March, and prescribing what such report shall contain; providing that the Secretary of State may, for good cause shown, extend such time to any date up to the 1st day of May; providing the date such report shall be made by certain foreign corporations; prescribing penalty for failure to make such report; providing that such report shall be subject to inspection only by persons who are interested directly in the subject matter of such report, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CARLOCK, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs to whom was referred

S. B. No. 143, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 10 of the Revised Civil Statutes of

Texas of 1911, relating to the admission of inmates into the Confederate Home by adding thereto Article 308 1/2 so as to provide for the transfer from the Confederate Women's Home to the Confederate Home of any inmate of the Confederate Women's Home whose husband is an inmate of the Confederate Home, and for the retransfer of such person back to the Confederate Women's Home on the death of her husband or whenever for any reason her husband ceases to be an inmate of the Confederate Home, or whenever in the judgment of the governing board of the Confederate Home it will be in the interest of the individual, or of that institution, or of the inmates of same, that such retransfer be made, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CARLOCK, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, the majority of your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 102, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas of a State Forester, prescribing his qualifications, defining his duties and providing for his compensation, defining the duties and powers of said Board, authorizing them to acquire lands for the establishment of tree nurseries and the distribution of trees to the citizens of this State; authorizing the establishment of State forests for demonstration purposes, authorizing the establishment of State forests on lands now belonging to the State, and the acquiring of title in the name of the State to lands and forests necessary for such purposes; vesting in said Board the care, custody, control and regulation of such lands; authorizing the disposition by sale, license, permit or other appropriate means, any timber or other products, and to lease under limited permit such land, water or other resources of State foreses for a reasonable charge; providing that all State lands coming under the provisions of said Act, together with all lands acquired by the Board,

shall be subject to all county and local taxation of every kind and character but shall be exempt from all State taxes; providing for the appointment of a Commission of Appraisers to appraise the value of lands so purchased and for their compensation; prohibiting the wilful and negligent setting fire to any forest, timber, wood, brush or grass land; and authorizing the State Forester to expend funds in extinguishment of fires and for reimbursement therefor by suit, etc.,"

Have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CARLOCK, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, the minority of your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 102, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

McNEALUS.

PARR.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 103, A bill to be entitled "An Act increasing the salary of the official shorthand reporter of the Twenty-second Judicial District of Texas nine hundred dollars; providing the manner of the payment of such increase of salary, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

RICHARDS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred S. B. No. 62, A bill to be entitled "An Act removing Panola County,

from the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas to the Sixth Supreme Judicial District of Texas."

Have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

RICHARDS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 131, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the laws in regard to the certification of teachers, providing for the same powers of certification to all colleges on a basis of the same standards and courses of work, and for a distinction between certificates obtained by examination and those secured through college work, providing for a gradual raising of standards for teachers through a period of several years and for more adequate examination fees, adding to Sections 107, 108, 110, 110a, 110b, 110c, 110d, Chapter 96, Acts of Thirty-second Legislature, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 61, Acts of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Sections 107a, 108a, 110e, repealing Sections 114, 116, 117, and 119 of Chapter 96, Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 61, Acts of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and providing a substitute therefor; repealing Section 121, Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature, and providing a substitute therefor, and amending Section 105, Chapter 96, Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 124, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 57, Sec-

tion 2, Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, approved June 17, 1920, creating the Blythe County Line Independent School District in Gaines, Terry and Yoakum Counties, by redefining and correcting the boundaries of said Blythe County Line Independent School District, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 139, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Chapter 21 of Local and Special Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, passed at its Regular Session in 1919, being 'An Act to incorporate Cain City Independent School District in Gillespie County, Texas, providing for the exercise of all powers and privileges incident and belonging to independent school districts, and declaring an emergency.' repealing said Chapter 21, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee an Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Leaky Independent School District, in Real County, Texas, providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting it with all the rights, powers and duties of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the General Laws, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to

report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 130, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the El Jardin Independent School District in Cameron County, Texas, and defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 158, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Yorktown Independent School District in DeWitt County, Texas, containing the present Yorktown Independent School District and additional territory described in the field notes herein; providing that the school property be vested in such independent school district, and that it assume all outstanding obligations of the school districts in the district created by this Act; providing for a board of trustees for said district, defining their powers and duties; defining the boundaries of said district, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 88, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating

the Pennington Independent County Line School District of Trinity and Houston Counties, Texas, for free school purposes only, defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Carrizo Springs Independent School District of Dimmitt County; defining its metes and bounds; vesting it with the rights and powers, duties and privileges, eac., and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 98, A bill to be entitled "An Act extending the boundaries of the Trinity Independent School District, enlarging the same and defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 127, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 6901a, 6901b, 6901d and 6901e of Chapter 1, Title 119, of the Revised Civil

Statutes of Texas, of 1911, as enacted by Chapter 29, of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 98 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature and amending 6901c of said Chapter and Title of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, of 1911, as enacted by Chapter 29, of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and adding thereto Articles 6901cc and 6901dd; all of which articles of the Statute relate to the compensation of county commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

RUSSELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 25, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to hotels and boarding houses, protecting them from fraud, limiting their liability, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following committee amendment:

Strike out all of Sections 1 and 2 of the bill and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. That whenever the proprietor or manager of any hotel or boarding house shall provide a safe or vault in the office of such hotel or boarding house or other convenient place for the safe keeping of any money, jewels or ornaments belonging to the guests of such hotel or boarding house and shall notify the guests thereof by posting a notice stating the fact that such safe or vault is provided in which such money, jewels or ornaments may be deposited, in a public and conspicuous place, and manner in said hotel or boarding house, and if such guest shall neglect to deliver said money, jewels or ornaments to the person in charge of such office for deposit in

said safe or vault, the proprietor or manager of such hotel or boarding house shall not be liable for any loss of such money, jewels or ornaments sustained by said guest by theft or otherwise; but no hotel manager or lessee shall be obliged to receive property on deposit for safe keeping, exceeding \$500.00 in value; and if such guest shall deliver such article to the person in charge of said office for deposit in such safe or vault said proprietor, manager or lessee shall not be liable for any loss thereof sustained by such guest by theft or otherwise, in any sum exceeding the sum of \$500.00, unless by special agreement in writing with such proprietor, manager or lessee.

"Sec. 2. That the liability of the keeper of any hotel or boarding house for loss of or injury to personal property placed by his guests under his care, other than that described in the preceding section, shall be that of a depository for hire, except that in case such loss or injury is caused by fire not intentionally produced by said keeper, his agents, employees or servants, in which case such keeper shall not be liable at all; and in no other event shall said liability exceed \$200.00 for each trunk and its contents, \$100.00 for each valise and its contents, \$20.00 for each box, bundle or package and its contents and not exceeding \$50.00 for any other miscellaneous effects; and provided further, whenever any person shall suffer his baggage or other property to remain in any hotel or boarding house after paying his bill and registering off without checking it, or shall leave his baggage or other property in any hotel or boarding house without becoming a guest thereof and fails to check same, or shall forward any baggage or other property to such hotel or boarding house before becoming a guest, said hotel or boarding house keeper may, at his option, hold such baggage or other property at the risk of said owner."

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Contingent Expenses, to whom was referred H. C. R. No. 11, a resolution providing that there be printed for

the use of the House and Senate in redistricting the State 500 copies of the map of the State of Texas, showing all counties' population and other data, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it pass, with amendments.

COUSINS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 29, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining live stock commission merchants; requiring such merchants to give bond; providing for the renewal of such bond; the approval and recording of the same; imposing penalties for pursuing the occupation of a live stock commission merchant when bond has not been made or renewed, or when there has been an intentional breach of said bond, or for making materially false statements in the application relative to fixing the amount of the bond; requiring remittances of the proceeds of stock sold by such commission merchant to be made to the parties rightfully entitled thereto within forty-eight hours after such sale has been made, either in certified check or bank exchange, unless waived in writing by the parties rightfully entitled thereto and prescribing penalty for failure to so remit; prohibiting the appropriation of use for any purpose by such live stock commission merchant of net proceeds of live stock sold by such live stock commission merchant and prescribing penalty for so appropriating or using, requiring the posting of a certified copy of the bond in some conspicuous place in the office of the principal place of business of said live stock commission merchant, and prescribing penalty for failure so to do; providing for suits upon said bond and fixing the venue thereof; repealing all laws in conflict herewith and especially the Act of the Thirty-third Legislature, Chapter 49, Regular Session, Page 93, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the attached committee amendments.

CLARK, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 28, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of stock raisers and farmers; providing for the destruction of depredating wild animals; making an appropriation therefor, and providing the method how it shall be expended; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass and be printed.

CLARK, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I, a minority of your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred H. B. No. 28, have had same under consideration, and beg leave to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

DUDLEY.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have carefully compared S. C. R. No. 11, and find the same correctly enrolled and have this day, at 11:20 o'clock a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

DARWIN, Chairman.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Thursday, February 3, 1921.
The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Lynch Davidson.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names: